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Sir:

It is requested that the present amendment be entered in order to place the present patent application in condition for allowance.

Amended elected independent claim 5 and amended elected independent claim 7 are attached.

It is submitted that claimed subject matter of amended independent claim 5 is not obvious from Kimock et al.(5,635,245) in view of Deutchman et al (4,992,298) and vice versa.

It is submitted that claimed subject matter of amended independent claim 7 is not obvious from Deutchman et al (4,992,298).

Non-elected claims 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are also attached.

An Abstract Of The Disclosure for elected claims 5 and 7 is attached.